Jezebel,

A WOMAN OUT OF ORDER

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CHAPTER 1

Jezebel Is a Woman Out of Order

Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

1 Kings 19:2

Jezebel is a woman who is out of order. She is out of her appropriate place. Jezebel is a woman who has overstepped her boundaries. Jezebel will overstep her boundaries and dominate her husband. Jezebel will dominate her husband until he is a quiet mouse in his own house.

Jezebel is a woman who has misused her God-given position in marriage in such a way that it leads to evil in this world. Jezebel is a woman who uses power that she shouldn't be using. Jezebel is a woman who misuses the authority, position, influence and gifts of God.

And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter.

2 Kings 9:34

Jezebel is a cursed woman who brings a curse to all who come under her power and influence. A curse is a great evil. A curse is a punishment inflicted on a people. Jezebel is a cursed woman who is out of place. She is a woman who brings a curse to the home and also to the ministry. What is a curse? A curse is a frustration, a never-ending difficulty, a weakness, a poverty of sorts, a punishment and a great evil. Some pastors are being punished by God through their marriage to a Jezebel.

Jezebel represents all the wives who through their words and behaviour cause the downfall of their husbands in ministry. Jezebel is the wife who is behind the "undoing" of God's servant.

Jezebel represents a woman who ruins her husband's divine destiny. Both Ahab and Elijah were affected drastically by Jezebel's activities. Ahab became a murderer because of Jezebel! Elijah's ministry was cut short because of Jezebel! The last part of Elijah's ministry was given to someone else. Do you want the last part of your ministry to be given to someone else?

Jezebel, in the Bible, represented a woman who operated as a wife out of her proper submitted order. Jezebel is a wife but is not submitted to her husband. Jezebel is a proud woman whose pride is revealed by her proud accusative and threatening words to Elijah!

Jezebel, in the Bible, destroys her husband and also destroys the prophet of God. Her words and actions are subtle but not fitting or appropriate.

Once a wife or a woman behaves inappropriately in such a way that it is destructive to marriage and ministry, you can diagnose that a Jezebel is present!

If you joke with Jezebel, she will destroy your ministry. Jezebel will make you become an adulterer and a fornicator. Jezebel will make you into a divorcee. Jezebel will destroy the

foundations of your life and stability of your ministry.

A woman who argues endlessly with her husband is out of order. A woman who says she is submitted to her husband but does not agree with him on most issues is out of order. She is not actually submitted to her husband.

A woman who does not obey her husband and does not follow her husband is out of order.

A woman who will not live with her husband but will live elsewhere apart from him is out of order.

A woman who manipulates her husband without his even knowing what is happening is out of order. That is a clear Jezebel!

A woman who pokes her husband and hits him is out of order. A woman who is unfaithful to her husband and has affairs with other men is out of order. An overbearing woman who seeks to have her own way is out of order.

The Bible makes it clear about what a Jezebel is. A Jezebel is out of place in every way!

A wife who will not listen nor allow you to speak is out of order. A wife who seeks to control her husband's ministry is out of order. A wife who divides the church into her supporters and his (her husband's) supporters is out of order. A wife who fights her husband on several issues and disagrees with most of his decisions is out of order. She is proud, knowing nothing!

CHAPTER 2

Jezebel Is an Evil Spirit!

And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; these things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden. But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. And I will give him the morning star.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 2:18-29

Jezebel first appeared during the ministry of Elijah the prophet. Hundreds of years later Jezebel appeared again in Thyatira. The manifestations of Jezebel during the ministry of Elijah were similar to the manifestations of Jezebel in Thyatira. The re-appearance of Jezebel confirms our suspicions that Jezebel is an evil spirit. Jezebel will always rear its ugly head against God's frontline servants.

The only problem with the church of Thyatira was the presence of Jezebel. Jesus had no other complaint about the church in Thyatira except that it had not dealt with the spirit of Jezebel as it should have.

Jezebel is a specific spirit that can destroy an entire church. Jezebel is an evil spirit that can destroy a man of God. Jezebel brought down the ministry of Elijah. We must therefore be able to identify the spirit of Jezebel and lift up great bulwarks against it. Jezebel is a powerful deception that makes war against the ministry. It is time to declare war on this evil force!

The prophet Elijah was the ultimate target of Jezebel! The church of Thyatira was also the

ultimate target of Jezebel! Jezebel is identifiable because she is well described in the Bible. Jezebel is a well-defined and well-known evil spirit with specific functions. Since the patterns of a Jezebel are well described in the Bible, we have a good chance of overpowering it. Human beings catch wild animals easily because they are predictable and always do the same things. This powerful demon is, most probably, one of the fierce demonic animals that is predictable in its behaviour. It is important to study this spirit's activities so we can detect when it is present. The spirit of Jezebel is revealed in its entirety by looking at its activities in the Old Testament and also in the New Testament.

In the Old Testament the spirit of Jezebel attacked God's representative, who was Elijah the prophet. The spirit of Jezebel relentlessly attacked Elijah until his ministry ended.

In the New Testament the spirit of Jezebel attacked God's representative, which is the church of Jesus Christ.

The church is the body of Christ. When Satan sees the body of Christ, he is filled with rage and hatred. Satan attacks God's servants fiercely and wickedly. The spirit of Jezebel is often just seen as a spirit of manipulation in marriage. It is not difficult to have this skewed impression of the spirit of Jezebel. The greatest evils of Jezebel were not manifested on her husband, Ahab, but actually on God's prophet (Elijah) and on an entire church (Thyatira). Jezebel's deeds with Ahab her husband, with Elijah the prophet and also with the church at Thyatira provide us with all the revelation we need about this demonic power. Sometimes, people manifest just a few traits of the spirit of Jezebel. At other times, you meet people who manifest the full range of Jezebel's traits.

Remember that satan is a master of disguise and camouflage, so his evils come in the form of good things that are perverted. Jezebel came to Ahab in the form of a supportive wife who understood her husband's needs and wanted to "help" him to achieve all he wanted to do.

How many wives are supportive and concerned about how their husbands feel? Do many wives today even know if their husbands are happy or sad? Jezebel was a good wife to her husband because she was concerned about how he felt!

In the New Testament, Jezebel presents as a spiritual person who became a prophetess. How many women are so spiritual that they actually become prophetesses? As you can see, Jezebel was a good wife to Ahab. Jezebel was also a woman of God. She was highly respected in the church. People honoured her as a prophetess. Perhaps your church is in the state that Thyatira was in. It is possible that your church has only one problem – Jezebel!

This book will help you to see where you stand and will also help you to break out from the stronghold and stranglehold of Jezebel. I am going to give you the features of a Jezebel spirit. Jezebel had characteristics of manipulation, control, sexual perversion, and idolatry. Some important conclusions must be made about such a woman. I believe an evil spirit motivated Jezebel's actions and contributed to her power and influence. The influence of this spirit still exists today. Like the demons that have lived on earth for centuries, this evil spirit is present with us today. The spirit of Jezebel manifested in the day of Prophet Elijah and also attacked the early church of Jesus Christ, especially the church in Thyatira. Today, the spirit of Jezebel is running free and destroying prophets and paralysing churches. Churches are incapable of rising up to the call of God because this evil spirit has bewitched and manipulated the leadership.

It is time to identify and destroy the power of Jezebel. Every single chapter of this book will help you to identify and destroy Jezebel in your life. It is possible that there is a powerful woman

in your life who carries the spirit of Jezebel. It is possible that your wife carries the spirit of Jezebel. It is possible that you, who are reading this book, are a live example of a Jezebel.

Do not be offended. Be delivered, rather than being offended. It is possible that this spirit can occupy a man. I have encountered Jezebel-like men who are great manipulators. The spirit of Jezebel is much more common in a woman. The spirit of Ahab is more commonly found in a man.

Open yourself to the word of God and you will discover many amazing truths that will set you free. You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free! Do not forget that truth will set you free!

CHAPTER 3

Jezebel Is One of Satan's Ways of Harming You through a Woman

And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Revelation 18:24

All through the Bible, we see evil being released against God's servants through women. God's servant is always a target of evil. Satan is determined to use women to destroy God's servants. Jezebel is simply a continuation of the plan to release evil against God's servants through women. Jezebel is simply one of the ways that satan attacks, harms and fights God's servants through a woman. Any woman who allows it will be turned into a source of evil for God's servants.

"The spirit of Jezebel is the maturing of the evil that began when the first woman ate the fruit of the forbidden tree. This is deception in its ultimate form."[1]

Remember that a woman is a gentle, appealing and fascinating creature, so she is a good disguise for the release of wickedness against you.

Women are nice, delightful, soft spoken, lovely and attractive human beings. A normal man will be drawn to a lovely woman and will not naturally think that evil can come to him through this lovely creature!

A woman who steps out of her place and opens the door to her heart, will be captured by demons and will be used by the devil as a "Jezebel" or a "woman out of order".

Perhaps, the commonest way through which a woman is occupied by evil spirits and becomes a woman out of order, is by giving place to the devil through pride. Pride in a woman is a door in the realm of the spirit.

A woman is created to be subject to her husband, so when she is not submitted, she is immediately out of order and becomes a "Jezebel".

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A woman can be used to do much evil when she is out of order. It is often in good Christian marriages that women become proud and open the door to satan. The Bible does not shy away from this reality. In my analysis of troubled marriages of great men of God, the problem has always been caused by a proud woman who cannot be controlled or advised by anyone, including and especially her own husband.

There are several examples of women being used, particularly, to bring about evil in God's servants and God's men of authority.

Let us look at several examples of this demonic strategy to torment and harm God's servants through women who are out of order.

1. **Eve stepped out of place and was used by the devil to release great curses and frustration into Adam's life, and also into the whole human race.** Through Eve, the whole human race is subject to sickness, death, cemeteries, funeral homes, hospitals, accidents, tragedies, sorrow and wickedness. In a very subtle way, we can see that evil entered God's servant through his wife Eve.

   And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

   Genesis 3:12-13

2. **Sarah stepped out of place and was used by the devil to release a great evil against Abraham's seed.** Even until today, we see Isaac, the seed of Abraham being tormented and fought against by the release of Ishmael. Ishmael was released upon the counsel and inputs of Sarah which was against God's plan for Abraham.

   And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the Lord hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

   Genesis 16:2

3. **Michal was out of her proper place when she criticized David.** Michal was a woman who would release evil against God's anointed psalmist. She was sent intentionally as a snare to put King David into great difficulty. Indeed, she is the person who despised David's worship and dancing which God loved so much. David felt bad and wasn't sure of himself when Michal criticized him. Michal was used by the devil to criticize the anointing and to despise God's servant, his leadership and his style of ministry. David was forced to rebuke and ignore Michal until the day of her death because of her strong opposition and criticism of his life, his leadership and his ministry.

   And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in the one of the twain.

   1 Samuel 18:21

   Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself! And David said unto Michal, It was before the Lord, which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the Lord, over Israel: therefore will I play before the Lord. And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour. Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.

   2 Samuel 6:20-23

4. **Solomon's wives were sent to be a source of subtle backsliding for one of God's great lovers and wise men.** Indeed, it was only through the evil released against Solomon through a host of women, that Solomon fell from his stable and worldwide ministry.

For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father. For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. And Solomon did evil in the sight of the Lord, and went not fully after the Lord, as did David his father. Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon. And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods. And the Lord was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the Lord God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,

1 Kings 11:4-9

5. **Jezebel, a woman out of order, was used to introduce much evil into the life of one of God's choice servants Elijah.** Elijah's ministry was cut short and truncated because of Jezebel. Elijah suffered depression, disorientation, confusion, discouragement, disillusionment and a premature ending of his ministry because of Jezebel.

Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them." Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, Lord," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors."

1 Kings 19:1-4 (NIV)

6. **The woman of Babylon released much evil against God's choice servant, the man child, in the book of Revelation.** This woman was used to drink the blood and lives of prophets and servants of God. To drink the blood of someone speaks of totally destroying their lives.

And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Revelation 18:24

CHAPTER 4

Characteristics of a Jezebel

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

A man of God must be thoroughly furnished with wisdom and knowledge so that he will war against all forms of a Jezebel attack. What is a Jezebel? A Jezebel is a spiritual stronghold that will manifest to you through a set of symptoms and signs. Jezebel is a spiritual syndrome! A syndrome is a characteristic and predictable pattern and set of symptoms that may appear together in a person.

Some, or all, of these predictable set of symptoms are found wherever the Jezebel spirit is tormenting and harassing God's servant. Without a revelation you will not understand how God's servant is under attack from a Jezebel spirit. Indeed, a pastor who is under attack by a Jezebel spirit may think that his greatest lover is Jezebel. Such is the deception of a Jezebel.

Is a Jezebel a spirit or a human being? Jezebel is many things all in one! Jezebel is a spirit! Jezebel is a woman! Jezebel is a pastor's wife! Jezebel is a "woman of God". Jezebel is a prophetess! Jezebel is a woman in a close relationship with God's servant, the king.

Remember that Jezebel has good sides too. She is a minister, a preacher, a prophetess and also a very good and caring wife.

In this chapter, I want to give a list that can guide you in diagnosing the presence of a Jezebel.

Here are twenty-eight characteristics of a "Jezebel". Twenty-eight characteristics of a Jezebel pastor's wife! Here are twenty-eight characteristics of a "Jezebel woman"! They are the characteristics of the syndrome and power of the spirit of Jezebel. Yes, you will never see an evil spirit with your physical eyes, so you need to know the symptoms and signs that the evil spirit generates.

Patterns of Jezebel's behaviour and effects of a Jezebel include the following:

1. Jezebel is a woman who challenges a really great man of God.

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

1 Kings 19:1-2

The greatness of a man of God means nothing to a "Jezebel". A Jezebel will boldly live in defiance of the great man of God! Notice how Jezebel speaks directly and fearlessly to Elijah.

2. Jezebel is a woman who strongly influences and manipulates God's servant.

But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the

sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

1 Kings 21:25

Jezebel manipulates great men of God and makes them do things they would not normally do. Most men of God are unaware that they are being manipulated amazingly by a Jezebel.

3. Jezebel is someone who manifests her evils to a few important people.

And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people: And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die. And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them…. Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.

1 Kings 21:9-11, 24

It was just Ahab and a few nobles and elders who knew what Jezebel was up to. Outside her home, people thought of Jezebel as a very good person. No one could imagine her as the source of much evil. It is always a surprise to people that a nice and gentle lady could be a Jezebel.

4. Jezebel is a woman who turns God's servant into something he does not want to become.

Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria: behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it. And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

1 Kings 21:18-19

Ahab was turned from a negotiator into a murderer by the works of a Jezebel wife. Through a Jezebel, some ministers become adulterers when they never intended to be. Through a Jezebel, some ministers become divorcees when they never intended to divorce. Why would a determined family man who never intended to divorce become a divorcee and get married three different times? Some ministers go to prison (when they intended to do all the right things) just because of the operation of a Jezebel in their lives. Some ministers resigned from their ministry (when they never intended to), because of a Jezebel wife. They resigned from their divine calling and became laymen because they had been manipulated to do so without even knowing what happened to them. Imagine a medical doctor resigning from being a doctor and taking up a job as a waiter. What kind of power would move him to do something like that? Jezebel is the ultimate hidden manipulator of such people who take mysterious decisions. Unfortunately, I have seen all these happen practically in my few years in ministry. Anytime you notice uncharacteristic behaviour and unusual decisions in God's servant, you must look closely for a Jezebel. You must speak against the works of a Jezebel! You must alert all potential victims of a Jezebel that they do not fall for this profound spirit of manipulation.

5. God is not happy when a church allows a Jezebel to operate freely.

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:20

It takes the collective rebuke of church leadership to deal with a Jezebel. One person identifying Jezebel and crying foul is not going to correct or control a Jezebel. I once spoke to an assistant pastor who said to me "Our greatest mistake was to allow our senior pastor's wife to continue manifesting as a Jezebel. We should have rebuked her and stopped her!" God wants more people to identify the Jezebels in our midst and stop them. A Jezebel woman can be the one and only problem of a church, just as it was for the church of Thyatira. God wants to freely speak to His man and lead him. But Jezebel takes over the headship and does not allow God's direction to prevail. Jezebel stands in the way of God and leads in the place of Ahab and every other Ahab-like husband.

6. Jezebel is a mistress of seduction and persuasion.

> **Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.**
>
> **Revelation 2:20**

Few can resist the persuasive charm of a Jezebel. She is gentle, sweet and seductive and it does not occur to anyone that they are being persuaded, charmed and convinced to do certain things by a woman. Jezebel is deceptive without even intending to be. A husband who thinks he is independent can eventually be seduced and do the wishes of the Jezebel of his life.

7. Jezebel causes God's servant to commit fornication.

> **Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.**
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> **Revelation 2:20**

It is important to understand why fornication occurs in someone's life. Fornication is always brought about by a set of circumstances. The circumstances that lead to fornication are often stirred up by a Jezebel. Jezebel is one of the major originators of a life of fornication in ministers of the gospel.

8. Jezebel causes divorce to happen.

> **Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.**
>
> **Revelation 2:22**

By causing God's servant to commit adultery she also causes him to divorce. Look into the causes of divorce in God's servants and you will often find a Jezebel somewhere! Unfortunately, men of God who divorce are simply branded as being unfaithful to their wives and full of lust for other women. However, from data available to me, there is always a Jezebel in the life of God's servants who divorce.

9. Jezebel is an unrepentant, stubborn, unchanging and unyielding woman.

> **And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.**

Revelation 2:21

Jezebel will never change her mind or agree with you. Is that how someone could describe you? Don't bother to try to win an argument with her. Nothing will change by meeting and talking to a Jezebel. She will never say sorry, never apologize, never yield, never accept, never believe, never soften, never repent, never give in, never bow and never understand your point! Read it for yourself. God Himself gave her space to repent and she still did not repent!

10. Jezebel causes God's servant to move around erratically.

> **And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.**
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> **1 Kings 19:1-4**

This is what happened to Elijah when Jezebel threatened him. Elijah took the strangest journeys which ended him up in the wilderness. God's servant may be seen taking unusual trips, abruptly changing plans, abruptly leaving programs, abruptly leaving nations, moving from house to house and going from restaurant to restaurant. God's servant may be seen living in other countries, other houses and other cities just to escape from Jezebel. No one would know exactly why he is changing cities or moving homes.

11. Jezebel causes God's servant to separate from lifelong friends and helpers.

> **And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.**
>
> **1 Kings 19:3**

Elijah separated from his lifelong servant because he was fleeing Jezebel. Important relationships are mysteriously broken, changed and altered because of a Jezebel. I have seen men who once lived and worked happily together suddenly separated from each other because of a Jezebel. I have seen pastors resign from their jobs and ministries all because of Jezebel in the background. As mysterious as it may sound, all these things are brought about by a Jezebel.

12. Jezebel causes depression in God's servant.

> **But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.**
>
> **1 Kings 19:4**

Many ministers feel hopeless and even suicidal because of a Jezebel. The secret torment, the secret accusations and the frequent misunderstandings lead to disillusionment, discouragement, hopelessness and dejection in God's servant. Many of God's servants struggle with depression even though they are doing all the right things. Elijah constantly wanted to die even though he was doing the right thing as a minister of God.

13. Jezebel causes an abrupt ending to the ministry of God's servant.

> **And the Lord said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.**
>
> **1 Kings 19:15-16**

Study closely those whose ministries have ended abruptly and unceremoniously. You will be surprised to find a Jezebel somewhere. Elijah's ministry was brought to an abrupt end by Jezebel. John the Baptist's ministry was brought to an abrupt end by Herod's wife. Herod's wife was operating by a manipulative Jezebel spirit which was completely opposed to John the Baptist. Jezebel can cause God's servant to leave his church and travel away from his place of ministry. Why would someone leave the church he belongs to and has worked in happily for many years? The answer is Jezebel.

14. Jezebel is boldly defiant toward her man of God.

> **Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.**
>
> **1 Kings 19:2**

She is the only one who can behave so proudly towards God's servant. Jezebel privately threatens the man of God and causes him to be afraid. Jezebel accuses the man of God. Jezebel speaks painful words to the man of God. Jezebel challen ges and confronts the man of God. Notice how Jezebel spoke confidently and arrogantly to Elijah!

15. Jezebel is a woman who misuses her powerful position.

> **And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.**
>
> **1 Kings 19:1-2**

Jezebel will misuse the influence she has gained through marriage or through the church. It is because of people like Jezebel in the Bible that people are wary of women coming into positions of power. People have a legitimate fear of what can happen if a Jezebel gains access to the powerful position of pastor's wife. And rightly so!

16. Jezebel is a spiritual woman! Jezebel is a daughter of the anointing!

> **Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.**
>
> **Revelation 2:20**

The spirituality of a Jezebel confuses many people. How can evil come out of such an anointed woman of God? I don't know! But I know that Jezebel functions in the fivefold ministry as a prophetess! Jezebel is a woman preacher! Isn't it amazing that a spiritual woman of God can do so much evil? I once knew a man of God who had had two different wives at two different

times of his life. I asked him directly, "Which of the two wives did you prefer?" He said to me, "I prefer the less spiritual one because the one who was a lady pastor (prophetess) was always challenging me, accusing me, controlling me, arguing with me and fighting me." Perhaps Jezebel gets her confidence from the fact that she is also a prophetess.

17. Jezebel is a woman of class, influence, royalty and dignity because she is a king's daughter.

And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter.

2 Kings 9:34

She is elegant, dainty, beautiful and dignified. This royal dignity is part of the camouflage of a Jezebel.

18. Jezebel is also beautiful because of her beauty enhancement efforts.

And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.

2 Kings 9:30

She is very concerned about the impression she gives to outsiders. Jezebel loves to dress up and apply make-up to herself. Jezebel is a woman of good impressions. In the Bible, Jezebel is the only woman who is described as painting her face (putting on make-up) and tiring her hair! Jezebel will give a very good impression of herself through her make-up, her nails, her hair and her dressing.

19. Jezebel can present as a good, caring and concerned wife.

But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread? And he said unto her, Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee another vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my vineyard. And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.

1 Kings 21:5-7

How many wives really care about how their husbands are feeling? But Jezebel was truly concerned about how her husband Ahab was feeling. Here we have an astonishingly good presentation of Jezebel as a good wife!

20. Ordinary pastors cannot stop and neutralize a Jezebel.

And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs.

2 Kings 9:32

It takes a eunuch to kill and destroy a Jezebel. Why is that? Eunuchs are men who are not influenced by the charm, the sweetness and the innocence of a Jezebel and therefore they can rebuke her and neutralize her power. Most ministers do not have the discernment, the boldness and the harshness needed to rebuke a Jezebel and stop her. Most men are impressed with the charm, the kindness and apparent gentleness of a Jezebel.

21. Jezebel brings a curse into the ministry.

And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter.

2 Kings 9:34

A supposedly perfect ministry is corrupted with a curse by the presence of a Jezebel.

22. Jezebel may end up in sickness and in hospital. The judgments of a Jezebel begin with such things.

Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

Revelation 2:22

23. Jezebel may end her life in tribulation.

Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

Revelation 2:22

Judgments abound for Jezebel. Tribulation may take time to arrive but it will eventually happen.

24. Jezebel may lose her children to death.

And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

Revelation 2:23

Jezebel is destined to be judged because she has caused much evil. Many varying kinds of severe judgments await a Jezebel. All those connected to Jezebel should expect judgments.

25. Jezebel destroys the ministry of many of God's servants.

And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the Lord, at the hand of Jezebel.

2 Kings 9:7

The lives and ministries of God's servants are destroyed at the feet of a Jezebel. She will be called to account for the wickedness she has wrought. Anytime you see God's servant destroyed in an astonishing or startling way, you must look deeper to see if there is a Jezebel somewhere. Divorce, scandals, adulteries, fornication, imprisonments, sickness, resignations, dismissals, sudden departures and even death in men of God, can all be traced to a Jezebel somewhere. The blood of the prophets refers to the life of the prophets who have been destroyed.

26. Jezebel will spoil the good report of a church.

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first. Notwithstanding I have a few things

against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:19-20

The church of Thyatira was perfect except for the presence of Jezebel. Jezebel will appear where there are good works, charity, service, faith, patience, only to spoil everything. Jezebel may be the only thing that is wrong with a church that is otherwise perfect.

27. A Jezebel can cause a man of God to live in a prison, in confinement and in restriction.

For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.

Matthew 14:3

The world was startled and astonished when John the Baptist was imprisoned. John the Baptist was imprisoned because he directly rebuked Herod's wife. This horrible confinement of John the Baptist was caused by a Jezebel woman. When you see God's servants reduced to being prisoners like John the Baptist was, expect a Jezebel somewhere.

There are many kinds of imprisonments. Some marriages are a form of imprisonment and confinement with a Jezebel, where the husband is not free to do what he wants. John Wesley felt confined and imprisoned and asked his wife to allow him to be free and to be controlled by God and by his own conscience. John Wesley said he felt like he was a prisoner in his own home. Many men of God feel like prisoners in their own homes and it is because they are married to Jezebels! John the Baptist will not be the last person to be imprisoned because of a Jezebel spirit.

28. Do not let the spirit of Jezebel to take advantage of you through ignorance.

Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

2 Corinthians 2:11

Jezebel is a spirit and will keep manifesting herself until Jesus returns! It is important to study these characteristics and convince yourself whether they are biblically proven characteristics of a Jezebel or not. It is important to expect and to diagnose any of these manifestations when they do arise in your life and ministry! We are not ignorant of the devices of the devil! Satan will not have the upper hand in your life and ministry through the spirit of Jezebel because you are well equipped to diagnose her and deal with her when she arrives!

CHAPTER 5

Jezebel is Submitted to No One

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Colossians 3:18

This truth that Jezebel is submitted to no one is derived from the meaning of the name Jezebel. The name, Jezebel, means, "Baal is husband to me." Although Jezebel was married to Ahab, she was actually not married to him. She was not committed to him in reality. Jezebel is a showwoman who is not really committed or submitted to her husband. Instead of submitting to Ahab she made him submit to her.

Mind you, there are two ways you can make a man submit to you. You can confront him and shout at him rudely and defiantly to make him submit to you. This method is not very successful. You can also make a man submit to you by an insidious method of persuasion, manipulation and seduction.

Jezebel seemed to be a helper of Ahab, but indeed she was helping him only to take hold of him and turn him into a murderer. Remember that Ahab never intended to murder Naboth. He intended to negotiate with Naboth to buy his land from him. When the negotiations failed Ahab went away sulking. When Jezebel got involved, she manipulated the events until Ahab became a murderer.

True marriage means nothing to a Jezebel! A Jezebel is just interested in the perks, the name and the power that goes with the role of wife. While marriage is a picture of mutual respect and submission to a husband and to men in general, Jezebel submitted to no one. She was actually married to Baal!

Instead of Jezebel submitting to her husband, she rather made everyone submit to her! Jezebel required that everyone submit to her. Her good marriage was merely a show that enabled her to become the powerhouse behind the king. Jezebel was, in other words, the acting king! She always had her way! If Jezebel did not agree with something, she would just not support it.

CHAPTER 6

The Spirit of Jezebel is Mostly in a Woman

And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, Is it peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many?

2 Kings 9:22

But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

1 Kings 21:25

In both the Old Testament and New Testament cases of the Jezebel spirit, it occupied women. The person in the Thyatira church was a woman and a prophetess (Revelations 2:20). Jezebel in the Old Testament was a queen and wife of King Ahab. Because of this you can expect that almost every case of a Jezebel spirit will be a woman and especially a woman of authority.

Although the spirit of Jezebel is a demon and can occupy both men and women, it often occupies women rather than men. There are certain demons that pick the sex of their target cleverly because it works better for them. For instance, a spirit of gossip and jealousy may be more common in a woman than in men. Also a spirit of fornication and adultery may be more commonly found in men.

Women should read this book, more than men. Instead of allowing men to read this book and diagnose this spirit in women, women should read this book and exorcise all such characteristics from themselves. Humbly accepting the truth is the only way to escape from the invasion of devils. You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free!

CHAPTER 7

Jezebel Works in Tandem with The Spirit of Ahab

And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD.

1 Kings 21:20

Ahab was sold to Jezebel! The scripture says Ahab SOLD himself to her. It was easy for Jezebel to get Ahab to do anything for her. He was for sale! He was easy! He was available! Ahab is a people pleaser. He is a man without a backbone! Ahab is ready to toe the line of the people in order to avoid any confrontation. A spirit of Ahab is the spirit that does not exercise the authority that it has been given. The spirit of Ahab is often found in a man who is willing to abdicate his authority and become passive and non-assertive.

Ahab and Jezebel Make a Great Team

Ahab and Jezebel actually work very well together. Ahab is a passive man who accepts things easily. Jezebel is aggressive and does not accept defeat easily. Because of this, Ahab and Jezebel work together and complement each other nicely. A spirit of Ahab symbolizes the abandonment of authority, or at the very least, passive authority. It speaks of a mind-set that avoids confrontation and claims innocence.

But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

1 Kings 21:25

The spirit of Ahab loves the position of headship but does not want confrontation; but it is not possible to be a leader without confronting things. Someone with an Ahab spirit would rather make peace at any cost.

An individual under the influence of an Ahab spirit often makes peace instead of war.

An Ahab spirit will always sacrifice a relationship with you to make peace with aggressive people.

Working in tandem, the spirits of Ahab and Jezebel form an important alliance for evil. Both will need and feed off the other in order to accomplish each one's goals.

A pastor who is influenced by an Ahab spirit will work well with a Jezebel and maintain his position with her help.

A man with the spirit of Ahab is not willing to confront issues. He will twist and turn just to avoid the conflict it will generate. The spirit of Ahab loves to hide behind another person who takes up the issue. A person with the spirit of Ahab does not want to look bad, strict or evil. He

never says what he really thinks. An Ahab has a private opinion which he never reveals.

Watch out for an assistant who is not prepared to take on the "wrong doer". He is an Ahab! Remember that Ahab was judged severely by the Lord. God was not happy with Ahab. Even though Ahab hid behind Jezebel, God saw through it all. I have watched men of authority remain indecisive and non-confrontational simply for fear of upsetting someone. Often they want to maintain the favour of Jezebel. As Ahab maintains the favour of Jezebel, he loses favour with God.

CHAPTER 8

Jezebel Is Surrounded by Eunuchs

And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window. And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

2 Kings 9:30-33

Jezebel loves to surround herself with eunuchs. A eunuch is a man who has been castrated. A castrated man loses the drive, the aggressiveness and the strength of a man. A eunuch is a man from whom the sexual drive and forcefulness has been taken. These men become docile, servile and sendable. Jezebel is always looking for a man she can control easily. Whether in a marriage or in the church, Jezebel is looking for eunuchs. Jezebel wants to be surrounded by eunuchs all the time.

Eunuchs are brothers who are emasculated and easily controlled. A spirit of Jezebel will befriend and become close to controllable men. Jezebel will also encourage others to support these eunuch leaders.

Eunuchs are used by Jezebel! Jezebel is always sending a eunuch somewhere to do something or the other. Eunuchs are loved by Jezebels! If there are several brothers around, you will find Jezebel recommending and praising the eunuchs.

You must not happily receive honour and commendation from a Jezebel. If a Jezebel praises you and works with you, it is likely that you are a eunuch. If there is an election, the Jezebel would vote for a man she can control. Eunuchs are men who have been forced to relinquish their authority and have become passive and non-assertive.

I am sure the eunuchs of Jezebel's bedroom were happy to throw down this woman who had manipulated and controlled them for years.

Jehu was a breath of fresh air because he was willing to confront this charming beauty that won everyone's heart with her beauty and deceptive submissiveness.

CHAPTER 9

Jezebel Attacks the Senior Man

Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, so let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

1 Kings 19:2

Jezebel fearlessly attacks the most revered men of God. This evil spirit directly targets the most senior men of God. Jezebel will touch the untouchable!

Many of the men of God you look up to, are actually under fire directly from the spirit of Jezebel. Many senior pastors, founders, prophets, and head pastors have the spirit of Jezebel attacking them constantly. The wife of a senior man of God can easily become a Jezebel. The wife of a senior man of God is a supreme target of the spirit of Jezebel. If the spirit of Jezebel can gain control of the wife of a prophet, it will have direct access to torment the prophet. When an evil spirit inhabited Adolf Hitler, it was able to cause senseless wars and also to cause the deaths of over fifty million people.

I have encountered several senior "untouchable" pastors who are actually under fire from the direct shooting attacks of the spirit of Jezebel. Many people feel that these great men are having a great time at home but it is not so.

Wives of senior ministers are the commonest hosts of this evil spirit. Perhaps your wife is one of the modern Jezebel powers set loose to oppose your ministry. Not every demon is able to take on a senior man of God. It takes a Jezebel spirit to attack God's generals.

An Attack of Discouragement

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, IT IS ENOUGH; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.

1 Kings 19:4

What is it like to be married to a Jezebel? What are the works of this unique spirit whose specialty is to attack God's leading servants? Through a Jezebel you will experience a severe attack of discouragement that will make you feel like you have achieved enough in ministry. That is the spirit of Jezebel at work. The spirit of Jezebel made Elijah say, "It is enough. I have done enough. I have done more than enough!" You may wonder - what would make a happy and successful man of God say "I have done enough. It is enough"?

An Attack of Depression

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, TAKE AWAY MY LIFE; for I am not better than my fathers.

Elijah wanted to die. His prayer was, "O Lord, take away my life!" Elijah became suicidal after his greatest achievements in ministry. You may wonder why a person at the peak of his ministry would ever want to die.

In the same way, you would also wonder why a great man of God would consider death as a happy escape from this life. Through a Jezebel you will become depressed and will want to die. When a person does not mind dying, he is depressed.

If you ever experience severe depression where you want to die, you are probably dealing with the spirit of Jezebel. The spirit of Jezebel makes you say, "Let me die." It is depression that makes a person suicidal. There are many pastors who are suicidal because of problems at home.

One pastor confided in me. He said, "When I had marital problems with my wife, I considered killing myself twice."

He continued, "Once, I wanted to throw myself down from a tall glass building. The torment, the accusations and the pressure from my wife were too much for me to handle."

I was amazed as I beheld this great man of God confessing that he had contemplated suicide twice because of his wife.

CHAPTER 10

Jezebel Is a Spiritual Person

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:20

One of Jezebel's confusing disguises is her disguise as a spiritual person. The scripture clearly says she is a prophetess. A prophetess is the most spiritual type of woman you can find. Jezebel is also a teacher of the Word. Of course, she is a teacher of the word of God. Did you think she was a teacher of chemistry or biology? Certainly not! Many people with the spirit of Jezebel can teach the word of God nicely.

Spirituality is found in the most evil of persons. When a person uses the name of God, it disarms you and makes you unable to fight against it. Beware of the manipulations of Jezebel! Jezebel will warn you not to fight her, lest you find yourself fighting against God.

In the church, you will find that spiritual women are the most stubborn and the most proud. Stubbornness and pride is revealed when they answer back on every issue. This is the reason that Paul warned that women should not occupy places of authority. The place of authority breeds pride and women are more easily deceived by authority.

Wives of senior pastors are given so much honour that they become like senior pastors themselves. Wives of senior pastors often assume some spiritual authority that make them proud unawares. Many challenge, influence and direct their husbands from the back and others actually do so openly. I know a church where the pastor and his wife divided the church into two halves and each took their part of their church and went away.

Because Jezebel is spiritual, she gets herself involved in the government of the church. She will dictate and influence decisions that are taken in the leadership.

CHAPTER 11

Jezebel Causes the Prophet To Change His Assistants and Friends

Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, so let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, AND LEFT HIS SERVANT THERE.

1 Kings 19:2-3

Jezebel can even cause you to change your assistants and dismiss the most important people in your life.

Jezebel caused Elijah to change his precious assistant. Elijah abandoned his longtime servant who had worked with him for years and seen him cause a famine to come upon the earth. Elijah changed the servant who had been with him and seen him cause rain to fall after the famine.

Jezebel causes a man of God to move away from his assistants and associates. A Jezebel will cause you to set aside important friendships. Through the ministry of Jezebel, a man of God becomes more and more isolated.

After Elijah interacted with Jezebel, he set aside the servant that had been with him for many years. Elijah set aside the servant who saw him call a famine into this world for seven years. Elijah set aside the servant who saw him call fire down from heaven. Elijah set aside his friend who helped him to slay four hundred prophets of Baal. Elijah set aside the servant who saw him outrun the chariot of Ahab. Elijah broke up his relationship with the servant whom he sent seven times to go and look for the sign of rain.

Elijah abandoned his main friend, his great helper and his assistant! You may wonder why Elijah would separate himself from someone who had helped him practically for so many years.

Sometimes, men of God are forced to change members of their staff because their wife dislikes them. Dismissing various members of staff because a powerful woman does not like them is a classic Jezebel move. Often, Jezebel secretly forces the man of God to do away with people she does not like.

There are various circumstances that can lead to a change in the ministry team. If you look beyond the circumstances, you will discover that Jezebel is behind it all. The departure of important people from your life can lead to major changes in the ministry. After the servant was separated from Elijah, Elijah's ministry moved into transition mode. The glory of the earlier powerful miracles was gone. Elijah was mostly preparing for the handover to Elisha.

It is important for the man of God not to "allow that woman Jezebel" to operate freely. Do not allow the spirit of Jezebel to control you and make you remove important people from your life. You must only take decisions, as you are led by the Spirit. You must not be led by Jezebel, but by

the Holy Spirit!

CHAPTER 12

Jezebel Will Cause You to Commit Adultery

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:20

To seduce someone is to influence the person in a subtle way that he is often not aware of, himself. Almost every person affected by a Jezebel becomes an adulterer or fornicator.

It is sad to see pastors admit how they have fallen into the hands of another woman and committed adultery. A Jezebel wife ends up driving away her husband into the arms of waiting beauties and adulterers.

To seduce is to lead someone astray from the right way. Through the sexual charm of this lady, Ahab was led astray. Ahab became a murderer because he was incited, enticed and drawn away from the right way by this woman. One of the key activities of the spirit of Jezebel is to seduce people.

I once met a woman who had no education and no professional training. As I looked at her I understood her life and the life of many women like her. She had nothing and no way to earn money or to look after herself. The only thing she had was her body! She used her body to earn a living! She used her body to get money to pay her rent. She used her body to get men to impregnate her! She used her body to get money to pay her children's school fees! All she had was her body! She learnt to use her body to seduce men and to prosper.

When you get into difficulty in the ministry, just look back and see who has influenced you.

Who has caused you to enter into your present crisis? That person is often the Jezebel of your life. After Jezebel's input, Ahab became a murderer and was hunted by the prophet of God who predicted his judgment and destruction. Ahab had a crisis and it was all caused by Jezebel! Ahab was now under a lot of stress because he was a wanted man.

One day I heard a pastor declaring about his wife, "She has caused me the most stress and problems in my entire life and ministry." Indeed, he was clearly married to a Jezebel who was drawing him into crisis after crisis by her manipulations and enticements.

Beware, because your marriage to a Jezebel is seducing and influencing you until you turn into a man with a wife and many side girlfriends. Before you realize, all the honour of your life and ministry would be gone because of the tumultuous marriage you have to this woman who is out of order! A lack of love and sex will make you into a fornicator sooner or later!

CHAPTER 13

The Sin of Accommodating Jezebel

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

Revelation 2:20-24

Thyatira had only one sin in the eyes of God: Jezebel! Jezebel was accepted and glorified in Thyatira and Jesus was not happy about that.

There is a simple yet overlooked phrase in Revelation 2:24. "I will put upon you none other burden"! This phrase indicates the singular importance that God gave to the removing of Jezebel. The Church at Thyatira had one burden: remove Jezebel from your midst! There is a kind of church that sins by allowing a Jezebel spirit to manifest and operate freely. That kind of church is called a "Thyatira church". Is your church a Thyatira church? The sin of the Thyatira church is that women are glorified more than they should be. How does this happen? It happens when the senior pastor's wife is over glorified and becomes more powerful than she should be.

In some churches the senior pastor's wife is a humble woman in the background. In some other places the senior pastor's wife is a superstar, an idol and a proud challenger of the senior pastor. A superstar pastor's wife is a proud, Vashti-like personality who is wide open to attacks from the spirit of Jezebel. Glorification of and honouring a Jezebel spirit is loathsome to God. The problem of the Thyatira church is that women are glorified more than they should be, and therefore need to create an unnecessarily separate women's ministry. There is nothing wrong with a women's ministry. I believe in women's ministries myself and I have appointed many ladies as pastors, and, even as bishops. Remember, that the Jezebel spirit commonly attacks women, so a Jezebel spirit can easily possess anything that a large number of women are involved with.

Churches and ministries led by women are also susceptible to this demon. As Paul warned, women need to cover their heads and be protected by the authorities because of demonic attacks.

It is for this reason that a woman ought to have authority over her own head, because of the angels.

1 Corinthians 11:10 (NIV)

Women move away from their covering and expose themselves to demonic attacks when they

are prouder and bigger than the authority over their heads. How does this happen?

In marriages where the spirit of Jezebel is accommodated, the married women see themselves as equal to their husbands. Jezebel is out of order so she challenges and usurps the leadership of her husband. Jezebel is a woman out of order so she defies her husband's leadership, his wisdom and his love.

Arguments in a marriage often reveal a woman who is out of order. There are no arguments at work between the boss and those who are submitted to his leadership. If a secretary were arguing with her boss, she would be out of order. Out of order means you have stepped out of your appropriate position. Many wives are out of order and it is revealed by their arguments and defiance.

Whenever there are arguments between a couple, it is a sign of the presence of pride. Contention is the evidence of pride in the junior partner.

Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

Proverbs 13:10

CHAPTER 14

Jezebel Makes a Man of God Behave Abnormally

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:20

Jezebel will cause her husband to behave abnormally. Watch out for abnormal behaviour in a man of God. You would wonder why Elijah would run away from a woman after fearlessly confronting four hundred prophets of Baal. Unusual occurrences and unusual behaviour patterns of men of God are often due to Jezebel spirits.

I once watched a man of God do unusual things. He travelled away from his home. He lived away from his home. He always acted frightened when his wife's name was mentioned. He looked nervous and on edge most of the time. And yet God was using him to do mighty things. I found out much later that he had a Jezebel in his bedroom.

On another occasion, I noticed a man of God who was usually gentle and soft-spoken, become extremely irritated and angry for a season. His behaviour seemed completely out of sync with his normal way of doing things. I also found out later that he had a Jezebel in his bedroom. Watch out for unusual behaviour in a man of God. He is probably under pressure from a Jezebel!

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And WHEN HE SAW THAT, HE AROSE, AND WENT FOR HIS LIFE, AND CAME TO BEERSHEBA, WHICH BELONGETH TO JUDAH, AND LEFT HIS SERVANT THERE.

1 Kings 19:1-3

Jezebel causes a man of God to turn into the exact opposite of what he wants to be.

Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria: behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it. And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, thus saith the Lord, HAST THOU KILLED, AND ALSO TAKEN POSSESSION? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord, in the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

1 Kings 21:18-19

Jezebel causes the man of God to become the exact opposite of what he is.

"Ahab, have you killed somebody?" "Ahab, have you taken possession of land that is not your

own?" These were questions Elijah was sent to ask Ahab (1 Kings 21:19). Ahab, did not originally intend to murder Naboth, but only made him several offers for his land. Jezebel turned Ahab into a killer of an innocent man. Jezebel could have advised Ahab to negotiate more with Naboth about his land. She could have advised him to offer Naboth more money for his land; but Jezebel rather turned Ahab into a murderer!

There is a power that can turn men of God into the exact opposite of what they set out to become. When a man of God becomes the exact opposite of what he set out to be, you must consider the possibility of a Jezebel.

Jezebel turned Ahab into a murderer. Ahab was not going to kill Naboth. Ahab had no intentions of killing Naboth. Remember that Ahab actually met Naboth and spoke to him directly. Ahab did not set out to arrest or destroy Naboth. However, when Jezebel got involved, Ahab killed Naboth and became a murderer.

Today, Ahab is remembered for murdering Naboth – something he never intended to do! Many men of God are slowly bent by their Jezebel wives into becoming the exact opposite of what they want to be.

One day, the Holy Spirit whispered to my heart, "I will show you seven famous men of God who have experienced the power of Jezebel." Each of them has become the exact opposite of what they set out to be. The Lord showed me how many of these great men of God, through the intervention, operation and activities of their wives, had became the exact opposite of what they wanted to be. Most of them had the symptoms of depression, discouragement, abnormal travels and abnormal behaviour I have described above.

I remembered several famous pastors who never intended to be divorced. They had loved their wives and they loved the good image they had in marriage. However, through the behaviour of their wives they are all divorced today.

I remembered two famous pastors who served God with all their hearts. They became Christians in school and lived very straight and moral lives. I know this because I know them personally and I know a lot about their personal lives. Through the pushing and pulling of their wives, both of these pastors ended up in prison. They ended up standing trial and being convicted of crimes they did not really commit. They were insulted, ridiculed and treated as worthless criminals. When they became prisoners, they obviously lost their ministries. Like Elijah, they ended up becoming the exact opposite of what they set out to be, through Jezebel.

Then I remembered two more famous men of God who ended up divorcing and re-marrying three times. These men of God were the greatest family men you could ever meet. They loved their families and were committed to the ideals of marriage. But they both ended up divorced and marrying at least three times in total. None of them ever intended to be married three times. Both of these pastors had powerful Jezebels in their homes!

Yet again, I remembered a pastor who was the most amazing, dedicated and committed missionary you could ever find. He was so dedicated on the mission field that he spent twenty-five years fighting for church growth and church establishment in that country. Through his wife's manoeuvres, he, one day, abandoned the ministry and fled to his home country.

I was amazed to see him flee. Many difficult crises had happened to him over the years on the mission field; but none of them had been able to make him flee. However, through Jezebel's

involvement, he left the mission field abruptly and never returned.

Always remember these symptoms of a Jezebel. You will never see a woman with the name, "Jezebel" written on her face. But by the symptoms of a man of God's abnormal behaviour, premature handing over of ministry, dismissing valuable assistants and turning into "exact opposites", you will know that Jezebel is at large.

Then the cover of lead was raised, and there in the basket sat a woman! He said, "THIS IS WICKEDNESS," and he pushed her back into the basket and pushed the lead cover down over its mouth.

Zechariah 5:7-8 (NIV)

CHAPTER 15

Jezebel Gives Birth to More Jezebels

Now Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And Jehoram his son reigned in his stead. And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these were the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel. And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram; because he was the firstborn. Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself, and slew all his brethren with the sword, and divers also of the princes of Israel. Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought that which was evil in the eyes of the Lord.

2 Chronicles 21:1-6

King Jehoshaphat had ensured everyone heard the law and that the law of God was enforced during his reign. However, when Jehoram, the son of Jehoshaphat finally had full control over the kingdom, he murdered all his brothers. Jehoshaphat was a God-fearing person and did not teach his son to murder his brothers. The spirit of elimination and deletion of competitors came from the wife of Jehoram who was Jezebel's daughter, Athaliah. The spirit of Jezebel will eliminate all threats, even if they are the most harmless bystanders. There was no need for Jehoram to kill his brothers.

Through insecurity and by the stirring up of his wife, Jezebel's daughter, Jehoram became a mass murderer.

Indeed, Jezebel gives birth to more Jezebels! By association, communication and interaction, one Jezebel passes on the spirit to another!

CHAPTER 16

Jezebel Causes a Man of God to Wander Around

But he himself went a day's journey INTO THE WILDERNESS, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.

1 Kings 19:4

Jezebel causes her husband to wander about in the wilderness. Elijah was displaced and began to move around from place to place. His base had been taken away! There are men of God who are roaming about in the wilderness because of a Jezebel at home.

A man of God wrote about how he kept moving house in order to quench the raging storms at home. He moved several times over a number of years. He had hoped that each move to a new home would bring about a change in the terrible marriage they were experiencing. He described how every move to every new building was an attempt to control the Jezebel in his home.

I know another man of God who conveniently lived at a place that was a seven-hour flight away from his wife. He did that in an effort to stay away from his marital home.

I know yet another man of God who abandoned his church for several years and moved to live in another country. Everyone thought he was pioneering a new mission overseas. Unfortunately, it was not missionary work that had made him move abroad. He, like Elijah, was on the run!

John Wesley declared that he might have settled down if he had had a loving, good wife. It is possible that John Wesley kept roaming around and achieving great things for God because he could not go back to a peaceful and happy home.

Why does Jezebel have such power to cause her husband to wander around? The answer is simple. It is better, easier and nicer to stay in the wilderness where there is no roof over your head and where the sun will burn you directly than to stay at home with Jezebel.

Even if you are smitten by the rain, the sun, the snow and hailstones, you are better off than being in a home with the wrong woman.

It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.

Proverbs 21:19

The wrong woman is Jezebel. It is not worth staying at home to be with Jezebel. She is too strong for comfort. She will manipulate you and twiddle you around her thumb.

You will not know what is happening and you will be forced to sit quietly at her feet as she determines what happens in the home.

Whether it is by quietness, by silence, by an uproar, by shouting, by words, by a bad attitude, by moodiness, by strength, by hunger, by thirst, by sex, by no sex, Jezebel is in charge. Jezebel determines all that will happen in the home.

Those who have Jezebels in their lives are constantly on the run, wandering around through the wilderness.

CHAPTER 17

Jezebel Will Bring Your Ministry to a Premature End

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.

1 Kings 19:1-4

Elijah handed over his ministry when it was at its very peak! Watch out for these signs when you are looking to spot a Jezebel. There is probably a Jezebel somewhere whenever there is a premature ending to a ministry.

Through deception your ministry can be brought to an end. Do not allow your ministry to be smaller than it could be because of a woman in your life. You must be determined to serve God to the max. What God has put in your heart is necessary and relevant and must be fulfilled. Don't settle for anything less. I remember a minister from the Caribbean who wept at an ordination service he was conducting in Ghana. He was an invited minister and ordained a number of people into the ministry that Sunday morning.

He said his wife had given him an ultimatum. She told him "I want a normal husband. I want to come home to a man who is there. I can't take it any longer as I sit at home and wait for my man to come back from ministry trips that have taken him outside the country."

"I need a normal husband," she insisted. "Give up the ministry or I will leave you."

He described how he had to take the most difficult decision of his life. He chose to carry on in the ministry and lose his wife.

Indeed, he had come face to face with a Jezebel who was twisting his hand into submission. She was bending his arm until he gave up his ministry. Indeed, there are many missionaries who are stuck in an apartment because their beautiful wives secretly intimidate them with "common sense" until they can do nothing.

There is a saying that, "Behind every great man is a good woman." Indeed, that may be the case! But if truth be told, behind many great men are difficult women.

I have had the unfortunate experience of meeting many men of God who struggle and labour with a Jezebel power seeking to truncate their ministries.

Perhaps, they are not even aware of the fact that they are truncating someone's ministry. Most Jezebels deny wrongdoing and claim innocence. After all, they are behind the scenes and never speak up openly.

In 1904 there was a great movement of God in Wales. This great movement was brought on through the ministry of a man of God called Evan Roberts. It is believed that at least twenty per cent of the population was converted during his ministry in Wales. Many missionaries were sent out to the world during his ministry. Many hardened sinners were saved during the revival. Drinking spots, bars and alcohol centres of carousing were closed down and people rather attended church meetings and programs. Many sporting activities were affected because people would not attend these programs, especially on Sundays. Even the police had to lay off officers because crime reduced drastically. Churches were full and packed to overflowing when this revival was in full bloom. Because of the missionary focus of this revival, many parts of the world were affected by this revival. Even the Azusa Street revival was said to have been influenced by this anointed season in Wales.

At the peak of his ministry, Evan Roberts was only twenty-six years old. Evan Roberts was very dedicated to God and was known for his powerful word of knowledge and prophetic power as he preached. The preaching of Evan Roberts stirred up the power of God in such a way as has never been seen or reported since those times.

This amazing ministry came to an abrupt ending when a lady called Jessie Penn-Lewis entered Evan Roberts' world. This woman was a supporter and follower of Roberts' ministry. She herself was a teacher of the word of God.

In a sense she was like a prophetess who had never gained much acclaim. Churches had not really accepted her ministry at this time. Somehow, this woman who was rejected and ignored by the church, gained the attention and confidence of Evan Roberts. She began speaking to him and also isolating him from his friends. One of the main aims of a Jezebel is to isolate the man of God from other important people in his life. She ministered constantly to Evan Roberts until she became a source of correction and direction for him.

As she gained control over him, Roberts became convinced that he was taking the glory of God for himself and was therefore not doing the right thing. He soon felt the condemnation of God for his sin of taking God's glory for the revival. That was the point at which Jessie Penn-Lewis convinced him to withdraw from ministry and isolate himself in her house. He even went as far as to recant from many of the things he had taught. He retracted many of his teachings which had brought about the revival. You must note that abnormal behaviour in a man of God's life is caused by a Jezebel spirit.

There was a point at which Jessie Penn-Lewis was writing letters and publications in Evan Roberts' name. People thought he was writing to them but it was actually the woman who was doing so. After some time, he eventually broke away from her control but he never recovered his ministry that was now destroyed. Clearly, a Jezebel spirit, religious and prophetic in nature, worked through this woman to change his ministry.

Many ministries are modified and truncated by Jezebel spirits. Indeed, there are many people who sit at home doing nothing for God because they listened to a Jezebel power that said, "Stay home!" The testimony of our brother Evan Roberts should be a lesson to all of us not to allow a controlling or insidiously manipulating person, whether man or woman to lead us. Always insist on being led by the Holy Spirit and not by a man or woman. It's important not to allow Jezebel to

operate unchecked in the church.

> **And the Lord said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and ELISHA THE SON OF SHAPHAT OF ABELMEHOLAH SHALT THOU ANOINT TO BE PROPHET IN THY ROOM.**
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> **1 Kings 19:15-16**

A Jezebel will cause you to end your ministry prematurely. Elijah abruptly ended his ministry. He handed over the reins of his ministry to Elisha long before he had to. The effect of Jezebel is indeed mysterious!

I watched a twenty-five-year-old ministry that came to an abrupt end. A large and successful ministry was closed down suddenly by the senior pastor's wife's behaviour. A major church and national ministry was terminated by a wife's behaviour. All the pastors of that great church were scattered. The founder of that church became the laughing stock of all his enemies.

Jezebel is the greatest threat to the ministry of powerful men of God. When a man of God operates at the level of Elijah, he has probably overcome many obstacles and it is only a woman like Jezebel who can influence or detract him from his mission.

Notice how Elisha was prematurely brought on the scene to take over the office of Elijah. Elijah's handing over to Elisha is an example of a premature and abrupt end of a ministry.

CHAPTER 18

Jezebel Eliminates All Perceived Threats and Competition

And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth. And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people: And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.

1 Kings 21:7-10

Jezebel is famous for eliminating Naboth. Naboth represents a competition to Jezebel's property and position. Jezebels indeed see every other woman as competition. A spirit of Jezebel will act as if you want to take their position. A spirit of Jezebel will therefore seek to eliminate any perceived threats. They want to be the only option. As far as Jezebel is concerned, there must be no one else for the leader to favour. Jezebel believes that others want to eliminate her. Jezebel seeks to get rid of anyone she sees as a threat. Be careful that you are not found to eliminate all but your friends and those who suck up to you.

I remember a church that had a number of ladies as pastors. I visited a lost member of that church and asked why she was no longer going to church. She answered very simply: "The woman pastor you have put in charge of the church has eliminated the rest of us who are not her direct friends. The church is now made up of her personal friends and no more." She went on to show me a host of other ladies who were no longer a part of the church. Indeed, as I analysed the church, the data showed that this was indeed the case. Jezebel is an eliminator. Any survivors who are left around walk about on tenterhooks. Indeed, all the remaining ladies exist in a state of uneasy anxiety and painful suspense, not knowing when they may do the wrong thing and receive a rebuke.

One day I read a book in which a man described the problem of someone he knew. This person had been forced to sack several ladies who had worked for him. The man complained that, upon the request and insistence of his wife, he had dismissed seven different secretaries that had worked for him. In the end, he had been forced to employ a village girl who had no education or sophistication whatsoever. This man was voicing his frustration about his wife because she was still ranting and raving about the unsophisticated villager who was now his secretary. He did not know what to do. Jezebel is well known for eliminating every perceived threat including the most incredulous imagined threats.

One day, a man of God told me he had just received a phone call from his wife. He pointed to his phone and said, "She just called me and said, 'I have called you to warn you about Aunty so-and-so. You know she is after you. She is in love with you and she wants you.'"

I asked, “Who is this lady that your wife is concerned about?” He pointed to a white-haired great grandmother who was attending the conference.

He asked me, “Do you know who this white-haired great grandmother is? Her contemporaries are in their nineties.”

Amazingly, this wife who was hundreds of miles away was concerned that her husband would fall in love with the white-haired, bent over great grandmother. Do not forget that a great grandmother has children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

CHAPTER 19

Jezebel Will Not Apologize, Never Admit and Never Agree

And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

Revelation 2:21

In the book of Revelation, you see what Jesus Himself said about Jezebel. He said, "I, Jesus, gave her space to repent but she did not change her mind nor change her attitude." You can see from this that Jezebel never acknowledges her evil or her wrongdoings.

Jezebel has hidden behind the scenes for years and no one has been able to point out her wrongdoings to her. Jezebel is evasive and always denies wrongdoing. Jezebel will hold onto her sins unto death and will probably go into eternity with them. Perhaps it is at her eternal judgment that Jesus will prove her sin to her.

Jezebel is like a big thick dark forest covered with cloud and fog at night. Jezebel is like a snake hiding in this massive thick forest at night and daring you to come and find it. "Prove that I'm here," says the snake. "Come into the forest and find me among a thousand trees and the thickest undergrowth."

There are endless arguments that come out of every Jezebel. She will never agree to anything. She will never say "yes" when you want her to say "yes".

She will never say "no" when you want her to say "no". She will never see the point you are making. She will always have a counter argument. Every simple discussion will turn into a confused maze of arguments.

It is important to understand that Jezebel is given space to repent but she repenteth not. She simply does not change her mind. A Jezebel is someone who does not repent, does not turn around, does not yield and does not bow.

You will never hear the word "sorry" coming out of Jezebel's lips. A Jezebel is someone with whom you will have long meetings, long analyses and long discussions. Why are there long meetings? Because nothing is simple or straightforward with a Jezebel. She will be given space to repent but she will simply not repent.

CHAPTER 20

Jezebel Hides and Does Her Evil From Behind the Curtain

And Jezebel his wife said unto him, dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people: And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die. And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them. They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, even against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him with stones, that he died. Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead. And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead. And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

1 Kings 21:7-16

Jezebel is well known for working behind the scenes to achieve evil. She does not want to be known. She says she doesn't have anything to do with what is happening. Her name never comes up as a perpetrator of the evil.

Take note that in the accusation and trial of Naboth, Jezebel was nowhere to be found. She was at home and monitoring on television what was happening in town. Watch out for those who have opinions but never voice it out clearly. They are well known for never having an opinion or a clear stance against or for anything.

I once had someone who would send me texts on someone else's phone to make me believe that the person was communicating with me. I sent several messages to the woman but found out later that it was her husband who was actually replying my messages. That is an example of a deceiver who never wants to be known for what she really thinks or says. Jezebel is the quintessential example of someone who hides his or her real feelings and intentions.

CHAPTER 21

Jezebel Is a Manipulator

"And regarding Jezebel, the Lord says, 'Dogs will eat Jezebel's body at the plot of land in Jezreel.' "The members of Ahab's family who die in the city will be eaten by dogs, and those who die in the field will be eaten by vultures."

No one else so completely sold himself to what was evil in the Lord's sight as Ahab did under the influence of his wife Jezebel.

1 Kings 21:23-25 (NLT)

It is not always apparent as to what is influencing you. It usually takes a philosopher to see how you have been influenced by something. This is the reason why Jezebel's actions go unnoticed and undiagnosed.

We all influence one another. It is the case that many people influence others in such a way that could be described as controlling. Manipulation occurs when this becomes a lifestyle and a habit. Manipulation is a mixture of words and actions that force people's hands to do certain things the manipulator wants. The manipulator hides behind and wipes her mouth saying, I have nothing to do with what he is doing. They will say, "My husband is a very strong man so how could I influence him? He doesn't even listen to me." However, many decisions are actually her preferences being carried out.

There is no way to know when a person becomes a Jezebel and a manipulator. There are no clear-cut indicators when a person steps over the line, but the line is always crossed by the spirit of Jezebel. Jezebel is the reason for things but she denies it continually and wipes her lips claiming innocence and claiming to be a person of no consequence. If the spirit of Jezebel is not challenged, it will gain control of people and circumstances. A Jezebel often needs an Ahab to work effectively. The Ahab will never put his foot down against Jezebel's whining manoeuvres and claims. She feels free as she is endorsed by Ahab's silence and acquiescence.

Today you must realize that you will be one of the actors in your church play. You may be a Jezebel, a manipulator par excellence, never identified as such. Secondly, you may be an Ahab, a weak leader whose compliance and non-confrontational style will multiply the power of a Jezebel. Thirdly, you may be an Elijah who is a great man of God who is constantly under pressure to go in this direction and then that direction, not even knowing what is happening to you. Fourthly, you may choose to be a Jehu, a man of discernment who brings an end to the nonsense from this stubborn woman Jezebel.

And JEZEBEL HIS WIFE SAID unto him, dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? Arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I WILL GIVE THEE THE VINEYARD of Naboth the Jezreelite.

1 Kings 21:7

The book of Revelation also makes mention of the "spirit of Jezebel". Apparently, the same spirit operating during the time of Ahab was operating in the days of John. You cannot discount

the presence, existence and operation of the spirit of Jezebel in our world today. Jezebel is a spirit that attacks great men of God like Elijah. If you are in the ministry and are destined for greatness, you can expect to encounter a Jezebel somewhere! Jezebel is real!

Always remember that Jezebel can be defeated if she can be identified.

Jezebel is the spirit that attacked Elijah. Any spirit that attacks Elijah is a spirit that is a specialist at attacking men who carry a great anointing.

It is therefore important that every man of God and also the pastor's wife become aware of this spirit and oppose its activities in the church and the ministry.

Remember: Thou shall not suffer that woman Jezebel!

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, BECAUSE THOU SUFFEREST THAT WOMAN JEZEBEL, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:20

I once spoke to a broken-hearted assistant pastor. He had been the assistant to his senior pastor for twenty-five years. He had worked closely with his senior pastor and faithfully sacrificed for the ministry. Together they had built a powerful mission with thousands of members.

One day, the senior pastor's wife slapped one of the church members during an argument. The church member lost her temper and organised a group of people to protest against the pastor's wife.

They exclaimed, "Enough is enough! We have had enough of our senior pastor's wife. We will no longer stand for her nonsense. We want her to go! We don't like her! She is an evil person! She has tormented us since our pastor married her! She quarrels, she accuses, she drives away people, she divides the family and now she has slapped one of us."

Following the uproar, the senior pastor resigned and left the church. The pastoral team was broken up and the church virtually closed down. Everyone went their separate ways. The ministry was effectively terminated by the pastor's wife's attack on a church member.

The broken-hearted senior assistant pastor lamented, "We had been together for twenty-five years. We had a great ministry and a great church. Now we have lost everything."

He continued, "I don't even know what I am going to do with my life from now on. Our church is closed down. Our ministry is over!"

Then I asked him, "How did all this happen? How can an entire ministry be terminated overnight? What has caused all this?"

He answered, "I think we made a great mistake with our pastor's wife. She was clearly a Jezebel and we allowed her to operate freely in the church. We thought we were showing respect to our senior pastor so we never confronted her."

He confided in me, "She divided the church. Many people left the church when she married our pastor."

He continued, "But we strongly believed in loyalty to our senior pastor and never confronted

her about all the quarrels and divisions she was causing."

After one and a half hours of talking about the effects of having allowed a Jezebel to freely roam around in the church, we parted company. I did not know how this faithful assistant was going to come by his next meal and live through the next month. He had lost all that he had built up over the last twenty-five years.

Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because YOU ALLOW THAT WOMAN JEZEBEL, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.

Revelation 2:20 (NKJV)

Many people do not understand the scripture that says, "I have a few things against you because you allowed that woman Jezebel…" Jezebel is a dangerous spirit that fights great men of God. It fights them through their wives and other powerful influencing figures. A Jezebel must not be allowed to operate freely in the church.

You will overcome every kind of Jezebel operating in your life and ministry. Scripture tells us not to allow the woman Jezebel to operate freely. Most pastors are too dignified and self-righteous to confront a pastor's wife or to bring her to order.

Many pastors want to maintain good relations with everybody. As a result of that, they will not rebuke and correct wives who are out of order.

If a Jezebel is allowed to go uncorrected, you may lose everything just as Elijah lost his ministry.

Do not allow Jezebel to operate freely! It angers God!

CHAPTER 22

Jezebel Takes Over the Headship

And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

1 Kings 21:7-8

Jezebel takes over from Ahab as the head and leads the way to fight against Naboth. Naboth lost his life because Jezebel took the reins from Ahab and organized a murderous campaign against Naboth.

A Jezebel does not allow the head to be the head! A Jezebel does not allow the father to be the father! A Jezebel does not allow the authority to be the authority! A Jezebel does not allow the one in charge to be the one in charge!

A Jezebel can take over headship by stubbornly opposing the head and resisting his ideas and opinion. Her opinion on any issue is always the opposite of the head's. Even the most frivolous activities reveal opposing opinions and opposite ideas of a Jezebel. Jezebel will always come up with an alternative to the head's decision.

A Jezebel can take over the fathering of a child by stubbornly opposing the father and resisting his ideas and opinions. A Jezebel can take over the fathering of a child by stubbornly rejecting the father's values and decisions and also by resisting his ideas and opinions about their children.

Watch out that your leadership and headship is not being fought against or usurped subtly. There are two types of Jezebel manifestations when they take over the headship and the leadership of a household. A Jezebel could manifest as a choleric confrontational woman, or she could manifest as a subtle, gentle accuser and opposer. A subtle Jezebel is not easy to detect or discern.

Taking over the headship by a choleric Jezebel woman is a manifestation that involves direct and open confrontations with the person who is the head. If the Jezebel spirit is in the wife of a head pastor, she will challenge him openly about his leadership of the church.

One such Jezebel wife took her children to other churches on Sunday mornings and would come home and deride her husband saying that younger men of God in the city were doing far better than he was. Jezebel then told him that his leadership of the church was very poor. This Jezebel was constantly challenging, despising and mocking at her husband's leadership.

Most people do not recognize that a Jezebel is at work when she is subtle in her resistance, rejection and rebellion of the headship. Taking over the headship by a non-choleric Jezebel is a subtle, not easy to detect manifestation. Subtle, gentle, Jezebels are even more destructive because they go undetected and unchallenged for many years.

When a woman or wife has this Jezebel spirit, she will constantly reject the leadership decisions of her husband. Jezebel will be subtle and manifest through arguments, stubbornness and an unyielding attitude towards the head.

There may be incessant arguments and disagreements in opinion over various staff members. There may also be incessant arguments and disagreements in opinion over the children. Jezebel will reject friends or employees whether male or female and also grow to reject any opinions of the head.

The head is simply not allowed to lead freely nor is he respected as the head of the house. A Jezebel uses various subtle means to reject the leadership of the head.

A Jezebel may exert her influence on the head by deciding to be absent from important programs. A Jezebel may exert her influence on the head by deciding to be depressive and moody at important programs. All these manoeuvres of Jezebel go to neutralize the leadership of the head so that Jezebel can have her way, and her ideas and her opinions carried through.

CHAPTER 23

Expect Jezebel at the Peak of Ministry

Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again. Then the fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God. And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there. And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for there is a sound of abundance of rain.

So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees, And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, There is nothing. And he said, Go again seven times.

And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare thy chariot, and get thee down, that the rain stop thee not. And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel. And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

1 Kings 18:37-46

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

1 Kings 19:1-2

Jezebel will manifest herself at the peak of your ministry. The peak of ministry is when you are shining and going higher in the realms of God.

When can you expect to see Jezebel in your life and ministry? Well, it was only after the great events of Elijah's life and ministry that Jezebel arose to confront Elijah. After a dramatic confrontation with Baal's prophets and an equally dramatic calling forth for rain after three and a half years of drought, Jezebel rose up fearlessly to challenge, threaten and rebuke Elijah. It takes a lot to confront a great and big anointing like Elijah. But a Jezebel is fearless before great men.

A Jezebel will rebuke and reprimand God's servant as though she is his co-equal. She fearlessly corrects God's man of faith and power who is respected by everyone else. A Jezebel is proud, rude and over-confident before the Lord's anointed. She can say anything to the man of God and get away with it. No one speaks like Jezebel and no one can say the things that Jezebel says to God's servant. You can see in the passage of the Bible above that Jezebel frightened

Elijah and made him flee his God-given position of ministry. Jezebel is an evil spirit that patiently waits for you to rise in the ministry! When greatness begins to be associated with you and your ministry, you will see the manifestation of this evil Jezebel spirit. Jezebel is specially anointed from hell to confront, challenge and oppose great men.

Jezebel smote Elijah with panic and manipulation at the height of his ministry. When Elijah killed four hundred prophets of Baal at the height of his ministry and called down fire from heaven, then and only then did Jezebel attack him. Expect an attack of Jezebel as you climb higher in ministry. Jezebel will be waiting for you at the top. The problems a person has at the height of ministry are different from the problems a person has when he is starting out.

At the beginning of ministry, you may have financial problems as well as problems that come with not being known. Perhaps, at the beginning of your ministry, you will struggle to make your church grow and expand. You may not have support and stability at the beginning of your ministry. However, at the dizzying heights of ministry where you have broken all the barriers of numerical growth, financial growth and ministry instability, different problems begin to arise. One of the problems of a high-level ministry, like Elijah's, is to encounter a Jezebel! Many wives of famous men of God actually carry the spirit of Jezebel. They may never admit it but all the characteristics are there. The manifestation of Jezebel will cause the Lord's anointed to use every skill at his disposal to overcome that demonic and powerful influence. Often the church has to collectively reject Jezebel before she is overcome. If the senior man of God alone fights Jezebel, she will not be overcome and neutralized.

Always remember that Jezebel is a prophetess and a spiritual person. She is well accepted in the church, and it takes discernment and a strong resolve to stop her in her tracks. Jesus was not happy with the church of Thyatira because they did not collectively identify Jezebel and reject her! Notice that the main shortcoming of the church of Thyatira was their failure to jointly discern and reject the spirit and presence of Jezebel.

And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass; I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first. Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 2:18-20

CHAPTER 24

Overcome Jezebel by Not Engaging Her in Discussions, Arguments or Meetings

And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

2 Kings 9:31-33

Jezebel is notorious for arguing, accusing, interrupting, talking in circles, bringing up irrelevant topics, and trying to distract you from the topic. It is a waste of time to play at her level.

You will not win any argument against Jezebel and your point of view will never be accepted. Indeed, the only person who overcame Jezebel never talked directly to her. There is no record of any conversation, confrontation or argument between Elijah and Jezebel. The accounts in the Bible show that everyone stayed away from Jezebel until Elisha sent someone to kill her.

Neither Elijah nor Elisha ever spoke directly to Jezebel because there was no point in doing so.

When Jehu went to execute Jezebel he did not bother to speak to her at all. Indeed, he avoided speaking with her and simply asked, “Who is on the lords side?”

Jezebel cleverly tried to engage Jehu in a discussion about what happened to those who killed king Zimri. But Jehu was anointed to kill Jezebel so he did not speak to her at all. He waited downstairs for the eunuchs to throw Jezebel out of the window. May all Jezebels in your ministry be thrown out and thrown down!

CHAPTER 25

Overcome Jezebel by Deploying Eunuchs

And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, who is on my side? Who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

2 Kings 9:31-33

It is ironical that eunuchs who had no feelings were deployed in ending the life of Jezebel. Indeed, if these men had had normal feelings they would have been emotionally and sexually influenced to support and pity Jezebel in the day of her judgment.

Jezebel is pitiful like most people are in the day of their judgment. Eunuchs have no such feelings.

Strength is needed in the execution of God's judgment.

Judgment is an important element in the kingdom.

The king by judgment establishes the land (Proverbs 29:4).

No church will be established without a good element of judgment. The church in Thyatira was unwilling to take action against the Jezebels in their midst. Such churches will reap a harvest of devastation.

I once made a call from Frankfurt airport to an old friend in the ministry. He was surprised at my call but proceeded to tell me that the church no longer existed.

He described how the senior pastor's wife had effectively scattered friends who had been together for many years.

He said, "We failed to confront a Jezebel spirit and it has destroyed everything we had." As he was speaking, I realized that he had suddenly become jobless and homeless after labouring in the ministry for so many years.

The extent of devastation of the church showed the power of Jezebel at work in a local congregation. If you fail to restrain the spirit of Jezebel, it will wreak havoc in your life and ministry. You must have a proper respect for the spirit of Jezebel!

CHAPTER 26

Overcome Jezebel by Separating from Her

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.

1 Kings 19:1-4

Overcoming Jezebel is indeed something that is possible by the power of God. The Jezebel spirit has attacked many men of God, many apostles and many prophets. To survive the campaign of this spirit, many prophets vacate their church posts and move to other locations. This was the strategy that Elijah used to overcome Jezebel.

Mature prophets know when to move away and practice their ministry away from the presence of Jezebel. This book is to help you overcome the spirit of Jezebel. It is not just to make you understand the spirit you are dealing with but also to overcome its power.

There are many ways to kill a cat. You can drown it, you can cut off its head, you can shoot it, you can poison it or you can let the dogs out. When people want to kill a pig they usually shoot it. Trying to kill a pig by catching the pig and slicing its neck is a bad idea.

Separation from Jezebel is the only answer to the conflict with Jezebel. Separation from Jezebel may be the only way to overcome that evil spirit.

CHAPTER 27

Overcome Jezebel by Appointing New People into Positions of Authority

And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria:

And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.

1 Kings 19:15-16

When the Lord finally spoke to Elijah to help him overcome Jezebel, his instructions were simple. Elijah was to anoint Elisha to be prophet in his room. He was to publicly designate his successor and anoint him for all to see.

This step was directed by God and it instantly took the pressure off Elijah as a person. Having a clear and capable successor is a victory over Jezebel.

Jezebel tried to eliminate Elijah. She tried to kill the great prophet. By anointing his successor, there were suddenly two Elijahs in town. In addition, there was no benefit in killing Elijah because Elisha existed. Instead of lamenting about the long and healthy life of Jezebel who is tormenting you, rise up and appoint your successors wisely. Set things up and fight the spirit of Jezebel by these new anointing and appointments.

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1 Kings 19:15-16

Overcome Jezebel by Appointing People into Positions of Authority

Making appointments and setting up structures is a gratifying way to overcome Jezebel. Elijah would not have thought of doing these things to overcome Jezebel. Indeed, by setting up the authorities and making appointments, he set up a series of loyal appointees who would fight the spirit of Jezebel. Jezebel's aim was to destroy Elijah and also to destroy the purposes of God Almighty. Making these appointments ensured that the purposes of God would come to pass excellently. What appointments do you have to make now? Instead of hoping to hear that Jezebel is dead, rise up and create positions and make appointments.

CHAPTER 28

Overcome Jezebel by Throwing Her Down

And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? Who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

2 Kings 9:31-33

You need the merciless and determined anointing of Jehu. Without the anointing of Jehu, you will not get rid of Jezebel.

It's time for those who have held Jezebel in high esteem to throw her down. Throwing Jezebel down speaks of refusing to elevate or honour such a person anymore.

No more glorification, no more elevation, no more exaltation in her life. Often Jezebels are well-respected women in society. Jezebels are also well-respected pastors' wives. But the anointing of Jehu will throw Jezebel down from her high position.

Do not elevate and glorify your wife in the church if she is out of order and has become a Jezebel. It is a great mistake to elevate a Jezebel. If you bless a devil, the devil will prosper and enlarge. Your duty is to strip Jezebel of authority and all forms of glorification in your life and ministry. Do not make your Jezebel more powerful in the public eye.

I once met a pastor who had held a Jezebel in high esteem for a number of years. He said to me that the greatest mistake of his life was to hold this lady in high esteem because she was his senior pastor's wife.

"She has destroyed our lives," he lamented. "We have lost everything. We had too much respect for her until everything was lost."

Men who have been castrated and humiliated and rendered powerless must rise up and take a stand fearlessly.

And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter. And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands. Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, this is the word of the Lord, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:

2 Kings 9:34-36

Jehu even had lunch after killing Jezebel. It was after his lunch that it occurred to him to bury

Jezebel.

God will use you to defeat Jezebel in spite of her clever disguises. Don't be too easy on your Jezebel! Do not treat this enemy with the spirit of benevolence. The eunuchs cast her down and so must you!

CHAPTER 29

Overcome Jezebel by Throwing Her Out

And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it ; and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window. And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? Who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

2 Kings 9:30-33

Throw your Jezebel out by the anointing of Jehu! Throw out means throw out! Throw out means to violently dispossess yourself of Jezebel once and for all! Throwing out a Jezebel could also mean that you divorce your Jezebel.

It may be time to divorce Jezebel! Sometimes the only way to fight Jezebel, is to divorce her. Read your Bible clearly. Jezebel was thrown out of the marriage chamber! She was thrown out of her private room where she lived with eunuchs attending to her.

Jezebel must be thrown out of the marriage chamber that she has brought a curse into.

Few people may have the boldness to take such a difficult step of throwing Jezebel out of the marriage chamber she has brought so much trouble to.

Jezebel was in her private bedroom when she was caught by eunuchs and thrown out. Jezebel was thrown out of the marriage chamber by eunuchs.

Overcome Jezebel by throwing her out of her marriage chamber. Overcome Jezebel by throwing her out of the bedroom she occupied.

She can no longer remain in that room. She must not remain in that room because she is out of order!

If you look closely, you will discover many ministers have experienced terrible “out of order wives” in their lives and ministries. Such wives must receive the only treatment that is deserving of a Jezebel. Jezebels must be thrown out! That’s what the Bible shows us. That is what Elijah was supposed to do. Elijah should have and could have confronted Jezebel and thrown her out.

I once heard Derek Prince say that many ministers of the gospel have poor marriages. In fact, he said that he had experienced two good marriages and that few men of God could give the same testimony.

I also heard Kenneth Hagin describe how he had lived in many different ministers’ homes during his travels on the field and that few ministers he had interacted with had good marriages.

It is sad that pastors specialize in taking pictures as happy couples whereas in fact they are not happy couples at all.

Some ministers may have to throw out Jezebel by divorcing her. The accursed woman must be thrown out of the marriage chamber. That is sometimes the only way to deal with a woman who is out of order and out of step!

Don't destroy your life by being over righteous. God is against divorce but He has given circumstances under which you can and should divorce. The Bible gives clear reasons and examples why divorce can and should happen. If you are supposed to divorce and you do not, you will end up being destroyed.

Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou destroy thyself?

Ecclesiastes 7:16

Jesus was clear that there were situations in the ministry where a person would have to leave his wife. This leaving of a wife is not for the reason of adultery but for the reason of the ministry.

And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Luke 18:29-30

Jesus makes it clear that there is a place for leaving the most important people of your life so that you can pursue the kingdom of God. Leaving a wife may mean divorcing a wife!

Clearly, Jezebel, a woman out of order, out of place, who is destructive to the work of God may need to be left behind. Clearly, a Jezebel who is constantly threatening God's' servant must be left behind and that may clearly mean a divorce.

A woman who shouts and angrily walks out on a discussion is out of order! A wife who is rude is out of order! A wife who is disrespectful is out of order! A woman who is persistently disobedient and rebellious is out of order!

A woman who pokes her husband and hits him is out of order! A woman who is unfaithful to her husband and has affairs with other men is out of order! An overbearing woman who seeks to have her own way is out of order! A wife who will not listen, nor allow you to speak is out of order! A wife who seeks to control her husband's ministry is out of order! A wife who divides the church into her supporters and his supporters is out of order! A wife who fights her husband on several issues and disagrees with most of his decisions is out of order! She is proud, knowing nothing!

There may never be an end to the carnage caused by a Jezebel wife until you throw her out as Jehu did. Are you strong enough to throw out your Jezebel? If not, you will have to live under her domination and control for the rest of your life. Such people are quiet subjects of Jezebel and have to sit quietly at home under her watchful eye.

Two Bad Options

And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

Matthew 5:29

Divorce is a bad thing! Jesus said, it is better to pluck out your eye and to go to heaven with one eye than to go to hell. Indeed, there are times you are faced with two bad decisions. Either go to heaven with one eye or go to hell with two eyes. These are two difficult options to choose from. However, you have to choose the better of the two options.

To divorce is a bad thing! To live with Jezebel and to allow her to destroy you in the way she destroyed Elijah is also a bad option. Indeed, the time has come to choose and the decision is only yours to take. No one can take that decision for you. You can never say that anyone asked you to divorce because no one is telling you to do so. You are only being shown that divorce may sometimes be the right thing to do for your life and ministry.

CHAPTER 30

Overcome Jezebel by Ending Her Life with You

And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands. Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This is the word of the Lord, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel: And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, This is Jezebel.

2 Kings 9:35-37

You need to fight extremes with extremes! Jezebel seeks to destroy the man of God and bring him to his grave. Remember that Jezebel threatened to end Elijah's very life!

And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time.

1 Kings 19:1-2

Watch out! Jezebel will bring you to depression and suicide if she continues to harass and affect you. If you do not have a major ministry like Elijah, you will probably not understand what all this fuss about Jezebel is. However, if you are at a certain place of ministry, you will see the need to end the life and experience you have with Jezebel.

How do you end Jezebel's life with you? Obviously, you cannot and should not physically kill her! Indeed, one of the reasons for a separation from Jezebel is to prevent any physical confrontation between yourself and Jezebel.

You may overcome your Jezebel by ending her life with you forever. Divorce and death represent a permanent separation. Divorce is a permanent separation quite akin to death. Perhaps there is nothing as stressful and devastating a blow to life than to experience a divorce.

You will never be the same again after a divorce and you may never recover from a divorce. That is why divorce is something we do not recommend at all. However, in the extreme situations where you have to deal with a Jezebel, you may have to divorce. And there are enough scriptures to back the separation from someone like Jezebel.

How do you end Jezebel's life with you? By divorcing her permanently! But is this biblical? Certainly, if you have a Jezebel to contend with, you must seek to end the domination and deceptions of Jezebel by "throwing her out of the window" and ending her life with you just like Jehu did.

I want to emphasize this is not to physically or literally throw out Jezebel to end her life. This

is to symbolically and spiritually end everything you have to do with Jezebel. Death means no contact, no communication, no interaction forever more on this earth.

Is such a decision biblical? Jehu was anointed to end Jezebel's existence in the life and ministry of Israel. The nation was rid of a very dangerous, deceptive and destructive woman called Jezebel. You will soon be free from every Jezebel in your life.

Biblical Reasons Why You Can Divorce a Jezebel

1. Ezra commanded the Israelites to divorce their wives because they had married the wrong people. God's servant actually commanded them to leave these women because it was wrong and would go against Israel.

   And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, Ye have transgressed, and have taken strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel. Now therefore make confession unto the Lord God of your fathers, and do his pleasure: and separate yourselves from the people of the land, and from the strange wives.

   Ezra 10:10-11

Indeed, several priests who had married strange and unknown women unsuitable for ministry had to separate from them. The whole of the last chapter of Ezra is dedicated to this issue of separating from wives who were simply inappropriate for the priests.

And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives: namely, of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah. And they gave their hands that they would put away their wives; and being guilty, they offered a ram of the flock for their trespass.

Ezra 10:18-19

2. Jesus taught that there would be times you would have to leave your wife and children for the sake of the kingdom.

   And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

   Luke 18:29-30

3. The fruits of righteousness need an environment of peace. If you want to bear fruits in the kingdom, you need to have peace and live in peace.

   And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

   James 3:18

4. Your marriage may be a snare sent from hell that you need to exit from. Some marriages are just spiritual traps that God's servants enter into. Why stay in a trap of deception, fornication, seduction and depression you can escape from? Notice that David was given a woman to marry as a snare and not as a help meet from God. May God give you boldness to escape from a snare.

   And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him. And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in the one of the twain.

5. Jesus said that adultery is a solid and good reason for divorce. Jesus also said that whoever looks upon a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with that woman. Indeed, if we believe this is true, (which we do) then most men and women have looked lustfully at one another before and are thereby eligible for divorce on the grounds of adultery alone.

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

Matthew 5:27-28

CHAPTER 31

Overcome Jezebel by Seeking God's Presence

And the angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God. And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice. And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah? And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

1 Kings 19:7-14

Elijah sought God in the mountain. He found God as he avoided the noise and the commotion. He had to take a journey to the place of rest and there he found God and enjoyed His presence. It was when he was still in the presence of God that he received the revelation of how to fight the Jezebel in his life.

Fighting powerful spirits by carrying on your usual duties will not help you much. Silence, quietness, holiness and specialness in His presence will lead you to power in His presence.

There are many powerful effects of God's presence on your life and ministry. In my book, "The Anointing and The Presence", you will see and experience the goodness of God's presence. Divine impenetrability, divine power, divine victories, divine survival and divine strength are all fruits of the presence of God that you will find when you run to the presence of God.

CHAPTER 32

Overcome Jezebel by Getting Back to Work

And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. And the Lord said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.

1 Kings 19:14-16

God had an answer for Elijah when he was depressed. More work! Get to the job and keep prophesying as you have been doing from the beginning. Your ultimate victory over Jezebel is gained by simply getting back into your ministry. Continue to serve the Lord and follow His leading for the ministry.

God knows all your problems before they started. It is a great thing to be wounded in the battle of God's kingdom. Your wounds mean you have been genuinely hurt by a really painful attack.

Experienced warriors have a lot of scars.

Experienced warriors have a lot of wounds.

Experienced warriors also have a limp.

You will see experienced warriors advancing slowly with sometimes jerky movements. This apparent faltering walk is a result of experiences and happenings.

One word from an experienced man is worth an hour of light-hearted banter!

Conclusion

Jezebel is real! Jezebel is not a phantom or a figment of the imagination. Jezebel is alive and operational in the church today. Many powerful figures have been silenced and caused to retreat through the power of Jezebel.

It is my prayer that with these few words you will be admonished to fight hard against whatever represents a Jezebel in your life and ministry. There is nothing new under the sun! That which has been done is that which shall be done! Evil spirits have been around for thousands of years, waiting for you to come on the scene.

You have the upper hand against the spirit of Jezebel. To every spiritual problem there is a spiritual solution! This book you have just read contains a revelation which will help you to

defeat the power of Jezebel today.

And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.